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SUBJECT:CITRUS PROBLEMS

1. U.S. CITRUS INDUSTRY REPS INFORMED STR (AMBASSADOR DENT) TODAY THAT THEIR JAPANESE CONTACTS REPORT MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND WELFARE (MHW) WILL BAN USE OF WAXES ON IMPORTED CITRUS EFFECTIVE MARCH 1. THEY ADDED THAT THIS BAN WOULD BE ENFORCED ONLY ON IMPORTED PRODUCTS DESPITE FACT THAT JAPANESE DOMESTIC CITRUS INDUSTRY USES SAME WAXES. IN THIS REGARD, IT WAS POINTED OUT THAT MHW WILL REQUIRE IMPORTERS TO CERTIFY PRODUCTS FREE FROM COATING WAXES. REGULATION OF DOMESTIC PRODUCTS UNDER JURISDICTION OF MAF AND NO CERTIFICATION REQUIRED. THE INDUSTRY REPS ALSO STRESSED

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THEIR SERIOUS CONCERN THAT SUCH A BAN WOULD RESULT IN

VIRTUAL EXCLUSION OF U.S. CITRUS FROM JAPANESE MARKET.

2. EMBASSY REQUESTED ON PRIORITY BASIS TO:

(A) CHECK WITH APPROPRIATE GOJ OFFICIALS TO

-- DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT SUCH A BAN IS TO
-- BE IMPLEMENTED.

- (B) PROVIDE THE DETAILS OF ANY MHW REGULATIONS

-- AFFECTING USE OF WAX COATINGS ON IMPORTED
-- CITRUS ASAP.

-- (C) DETERMINE WHETHER ANY SUCH REGULATIONS

-- RESULT IN DIFFERENTIAL TREATMENT OF
-- IMPORTED AND DOMESTIC PRODUCT.

3. DETAILED REPORT OF CITRUS INDUSTRY MEETING WITH
AMBASSADOR DENT WILL BE PROVIDED SEPTEL. KISSINGER

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